



Blue Grass Chemical Agent-  
Destruction Pilot Plant

# Biography: Lieutenant Colonel George B. Shuplinkov

## A Partnership for Safe Chemical Weapons Destruction

# Information

### Commander Blue Grass Chemical Activity

Lieutenant Colonel George B. Shuplinkov graduated from the University of Maryland in 1985 with a Bachelor of Science in Biology and commissioned through The Johns Hopkins University Army ROTC. After he completed the Chemical Officer Basic Course, his first assignment was to Fort Benning, Georgia. There, he spent four years with the 3d Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment serving initially as the Chemical Officer and then as the Headquarters Company Executive Officer during Operation JUST CAUSE.

In 1990, after graduating from the Chemical Officer Basic Course, LTC Shuplinkov was assigned to the 242d Chemical Detachment, VII Corps, Germany, where he deployed to Operation DESERT STORM. From 1991 to 1993, he served as the Assistant Regimental Chemical Officer with the 2d Armored Cavalry Regiment and, subsequently, as a Troop Commander of 54th Chemical Company, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment for 19 months in Fulda, Germany. In 1994, LTC Shuplinkov was assigned to the United States Army Infantry Center, Fort Benning, Georgia, as the Chemical and Parachute Project Officer in Combat Developments. Upon selection to the 75th Ranger Regiment, he served as the Regimental Chemical Officer from 1995 to 1997 and as the Battalion Operations Officer from 1997 to 1999 in the 507th Parachute Infantry Regiment.

Selected for Command and General Staff College, LTC Shuplinkov attended Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, from 1999 to 2000 where he earned a master's degree. Upon graduation, he was posted to V Corps, Heidelberg, Germany. While at V Corps, LTC Shuplinkov was initially assigned as Plans Officer. The following year, he served as the Operations Officer involved in equipping and training the initial Consequence Management Assessment Team for Europe, and in the subsequent year as the Deputy Corps Chemical Officer where he participated in Operation IRAQI FREEDOM. Upon redeployment from Germany in 2003, he assumed command of the ROTC battalion at the University of Texas, Arlington, until his current assignment as the Commander of the Blue Grass Chemical Activity, Blue Grass Army Depot, Kentucky.

LTC Shuplinkov's awards and decorations include the Ranger Tab, the Master Parachutist and Pathfinder badges, the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters, the Army Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with spearhead, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Overseas Service Ribbon with one oak leaf cluster, the SWA and Kuwait defense ribbons, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award and the Meritorious Unit Citation. He was also awarded the Australian and Paraguayan parachutist badges.

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